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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON VISIT OF AMBASSADOR WITOLD JURASZ

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1. DCM CALLED ON MFA DIRECTOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS PAWLAK ON FEBRUARY 4 AT LATTER'S REQUEST. PAWLAK SAID HE HOPED HIS DEPUTY, AMBASSADOR JURASZ, WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET WITH MR. MOREY, MR. BAKER, AND OTHERS DURING HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT TO WASHINGTON. JURASZ, HE SAID, HOPED TO DISCUSS POLISH PROPOSALS FOR STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF THE ECE AS AN ORGAN FOR PROMOTING AND MONITORING COMPLIANCE WITH THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. BOTH PRIME MINISTER JAROSZEWICZ AND FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK HAD, AT VARIOUS TIMES, ALLUDED TO THE POTENTIAL UTILITY OF THE ECE AS AN EXISTING BODY WHICH WAS SPECIFICALLY EUROPEAN IN CHARACTER AND COULD BE A LOGICAL FORUM FOR DISCUSSION OF CSCE MATTERS. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE POLES REGARDED THE U.S. AS EUROPEAN. GIVEN THE INCREASING ATTENTION TO NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS IN RECENT YEARS, THE ECE REPRESENTED ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING EAST-WEST ORGANIZATIONS. IT HAD AN EXISTING SECRETARIAT AND COULD BE UTILIZED TO ENSURE THAT THE FINAL ACT REMAINED A LIVING DOCUMENT.

2. FURTHERMORE, PAWLAK SAID THAT IT WAS HIS PRACTICE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO ENCOURAGE HIS SUBORDINATES IN THEIR TRAVELS TO

ENGAGE IN INFORMAL WORKING-LEVEL
CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN MINISTRIES ABROAD. WE HOPED THAT WE
SHARED HIS VIEWS OF THE USEFULNESS OF SUCH CONTACTS AND
THAT THE APPOINTMENTS AMBASSADOR JURASZ HAD REQUESTED
(SEE REF) COULD BE ARRANGED. PAWLAK SAID THE POLES
WERE MOST ANXIOUS TO HAVE MR. MOREY VISIT POLAND AT
WHATEVER TIME MIGHT BE MOST CONVENIENT FOR HIM. THEY
WOULD BE PARTICULARLY PLEASED IF HE COULD COME IN APRIL
OF THIS YEAR.

3. DCM SAID THAT WE WERE LOOKING FORWARD TO AMBASSADOR JURASZ'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND THAT WE WOULD INFORM THE MINISTRY PROMPTLY WHEN CONFIRMATION OF THE REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS WAS RECEIVED. DAVIES

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